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an arrangement for controlling [increasing] the contrast of the [a] heads-up display [on the windshield compared] to an environmental image approaching the moving vehicle [the background of the display on the windshield] wherein the arrangement includes an optical detector for capturing the [an] image of the environment approaching the vehicle and a control coupled to the optical detector for controlling the contrast of the heads-up display in response to the environmental image approaching the moving vehicle [heads-up display to contrast with the approaching image].

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9. (Twice Amended) A vehicle heads-up display system comprising: a source for providing a heads-up display onto a windshield of a moving vehicle;

an arrangement for controlling [increasing] the contrast of the [a] heads-up display [on the windshield compared] to an environmental image approaching the moving vehicle [the background of the display on the windshield] wherein an area on the windshield is provided with a surface treatment, and wherein the system further comprises a light source adjacent the surface treated area for directing a light onto the surface treated [said] area to provide a glow and said heads up display being directed onto-said-surface-treated area.

Sub C3 12. (Twice Amended) A method of providing a heads-up display comprising

the steps of:

- (a) providing a system for directing a heads-up display onto the [vehicle] windshield of a moving vehicle;
  - (b) directing a heads-up display onto the vehicle windshield; and
- approaching the moving vehicle [modifying one of said windshield and said heads-up display to provide greater contrast between said heads-up display and an image beyond said windshield] wherein the step of controlling [modifying] includes the step of capturing the [an] image of the environment approaching the moving vehicle and controlling the contrast of the heads-up display in response to the environmental image captured [said heads-up display to be in contrast to the captured image].

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